

# **Rule Up For Filing**

Proposed Amendment to WAC 230-40-610

Player-supported jackpots – Restrictions – Manner of conducting – Approval.

ITEM 20 (a) on the September 10, 2004, Commission Meeting Agenda. Statutory Authority 9.46.070

### Who proposed the rule change?

Dolores Chiechi, on behalf of the Recreational Gaming Association.

## Why is this rule change needed?

Dolores Chiechi has submitted a Petition for Rule Change to amend WAC 230-40-610. The petitioner requests an amendment to WAC 230-40-610 which sets operating restrictions for poker games offering player-supported jackpots. This rule limits cash payout of prizes to \$500 and any remaining winnings must be paid by check. This rule also prohibits players from cashing checks from winnings at the card room where the check was issued.

The petitioner requests that cash payouts be increased from \$500 to \$2500 and that players be allowed to cash checks at the card room where the check was issued.

Staff is collecting information and will provide a recommendation at the October Commission meeting.

#### Attached:

Memo dated September 1, 2004, to the Commission regarding their options for handling the Petition.

Petition for Rule Change

Proposed amendment to WAC 230-40-610

Letter to Ms. Chiechi informing her of the September 2004, Commission meeting.

ta	tement	s agains	t the	pro	posed	rule	change.

None at this time.

#### Which licensees will be directly impacted?

Card rooms offering player-supported jackpots.

#### What are the potential impacts to the agency?

Minimal.

#### Staff recommendation.

File for further discussion. Staff will provide a recommendation at the October meeting.